

THERE IS GOOD DEER
HUNTING ALL AROUND
LAKE OKECHOBEE

The Everglades News

TRUCK CROP ACREAGE
IN THE UPPER GLADES
BREAKS RECORD

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OLD BOARD HAS LAST MEETING OF TERM TODAY

Term of Members of New Board
of Commissioners Starts
Tuesday, Jan. 4

MOST OF COUNTY STAFF
TO RETAIN POSITIONS

Jake Boyd Scheduled To Be
Continued In Place As County
Engineer

The board of county commissioners of Palm Beach county will meet today (Friday, December 31) and this probably will be their last meeting although if they are unable to finish all of the business of their term they may adjourn to Monday, January 3. The term of office of the members of the new board starts Tuesday, January 4, according to Fred E. Fenno, clerk of the courts and clerk of the board.

Some of the members-elect have attended meetings of the present board in order to acquaint themselves with the routine and status of affairs. There has been no meeting of the members-elect but they probably will meet unofficially in advance of the date on which they take office. The members for the new term are: N. K. Williams of Kelsey City, district No. 1; A. L. Mathews of West Palm Beach, district No. 2; John J. Williams of Boynton, district No. 3; T. M. O'Neill of Delray, district No. 4; Howard Sharp of Canal Point, district No. 5.

When the new board meets Tuesday, January 4, they will select an attorney and a county engineer and fill the other places. It is understood that Jake Boyd will be retained as county engineer. Dr. Gunter as county physician. Mr. Harper as superintendent of the county farm and Mr. Taylor as custodian of the court house.

COUNTRY CERTAIN OF LARGE GROWTH

Former Bare Beach
Resident Likes Upper
Everglades Best

J. W. Putnam, who ran a store at Bare Beach for several years and served as postmaster, was in Canal Point Sunday to see what shape this section of the Everglades is in and he went on down to Pahokee for a further view before leaving on his return to Oak Hill, on the east coast. Although he knows the Glades pretty well he was amazed that the acreage of the crops was so large and the condition of the vines and plants so good so soon after the flood that followed the September hurricane.

Mr. Putnam closed out his store after the flood in 1924 and went to Lake Worth and later to Oak Hill. He has remained at Oak Hill ever since, running a general store, but he has an idea that he may move the store to some point in the Lake Okechobee region.

A good thing about the country on the eastern and southern shores of Lake Okechobee is the certainty that it will grow. Mr. Putnam commented: "It is good now and it will get better. There is some land in this to encourage people and fill them with hope. On the east coast there will be development, too, but it will be slow—here in the Glades we can count on things happening in our lifetimes."

Gates In Lock Closed; Canal At Low Stage

Having been open during the rainy season, the gates in the chamber of the lock in West Palm Beach canal at Dixie Highway crossing are now closed, according to residents of East Beach who said that, under the condition. The canal is very low at the east end. A dragline machine is working at the water's edge, digging sand and enlarging the width of the canal. It is presumed that the canal is held at a low stage in order to expose more soil for the dragline to dig into. Excavation by draglines and steam shovels is believed to be cheaper than by small suction dredges. But for the presence of the dragline the canal probably could be made to dispose of the deal more water from the lake.

TO PUT IN 40 ACRES IN ASPARAGUS

Truck Grower From California
Has Supply of Roots On
Way To Belle Glade

BELLE GLADE, Dec. 28.—A Mr. Snooks of California has bought land in section 18 and is preparing to plant forty acres of asparagus. He has a carload of two-year-old roots on the way from California. Details of the enterprise will be reported later.

Your correspondent has been told the editor of The Everglades News is hoping for a florist but the reference to a florist in the issue of December 17 did sound odd.

Mrs. A. L. Patterson, who lived here from Miami several years, is now in the hospital in St. Francis, La.

Miss Frances Loftis spent the holidays with friends in Tomestead.

Miss Sara Carr had for her guests Christmas her brother, Martha Foster of Atlanta, Ga.

Quite a number from here spent Christmas at the beach.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. White of West Palm Beach were out Sunday to call on Prof. and Mrs. Feichtinger, who however, have not yet arrived from Chicago.

To Fort Myers In Six Hours By New Route

Driving time between Canal Point and Fort Myers has been reduced to six hours by a route done on the road between Punta Gorda and Lake Annie. Louis C. Goble of The Everglades News reports that it took him seven and a half hours to drive to Fort Myers by way of Venus and LaBelle and he sealed that an hour and a half by taking the longer route but better road on his return. He left Canal Point at 8:15 p. m. Thursday night and drove to Okechobee on Conners Highway, thence on state road No. 8 to Lake Annie (Childs station on the A. C. L. railroad) where he turned south to Venus and the Glades county line, thence to Hall City and the LaBelle road. From the point he struck the LaBelle road on through LaBelle to the Lee county line the road is semi-hard surfaced, and from that point to Fort Myers the road is hard surfaced and oiled.

Returning he went north to Punta Gorda on Tamiami Trail, thence to Arcadia and thence east via Carlstrom Field to Lake Annie. From Carlstrom Field to Highlands county line road construction is under way, and in Highlands county a hard surfaced road is completed to state road No. 8 at Lake Annie. He averaged 26 to 32 miles an hour on the return trip.

When the road from Belle Glade to Clewiston is completed the driving time from Canal Point to Fort Myers will be further reduced as the distance is less. From Canal Point to Belle Glade to Clewiston is 14 miles. From Clewiston to Moore Haven 14 miles and from Moore Haven to Fort Myers 65 miles, a total of about 112 miles as compared to nearly 140 miles by the most practical route now.

LOADING STATIONS TWO MILES APART ON F.E.C. RAILWAY

Company Will Put In Roadway
At Siding In Section 32,
South of Pahokee

CROSSING STATION TO
BE READY JANUARY 15

Shipments Can Be Received
In Section 32 Early
Next Week

For immediate use and pending the extension of its tracks to Hillsboro canal the Florida East Coast Railway Company at its own expense will construct roadways along its sidetracks at two points in the Pahokee-Chosen territory.

T. L. Beckwith of Cocoa, vegetable agent for the railway company, informed The Everglades News on Wednesday of the plans to provide facilities for loading. From General Traffic Manager Kirtland he had received information that instructions had been issued for the construction of a roadway along the present sidetrack in section 32, township 42, range 37, and also for the construction of a sidetrack on the line of sections 8 and 17, township 43, where the railroad crosses the Belle Glade-Pahokee road.

The roadway at the sidetrack in section 32 will be ready no later than January 1 and the sidetrack in sections 8 and 17 will be ready no later than January 15.

A loading station was made in section 32 at the crossing where it was found that there was no track for a roadway along the sidetrack in section 32. The present announcement confirms the first report and adds details.

Section 32 is four miles south of Pahokee, immediately south of it is section 5. There is a large acreage in both of those sections. The other siding is only two miles south of section 32. Section 8, on the south line, in which one of the new stations is located, is owned by Louis G. Freeman of Cincinnati, Ohio.

THEY CALLED IT "ALFORD CITY"

U. S. Grand Jury Indicts Five
Promoters of Townsite In
Glades County

MIAMI, Dec. 23.—Horace A. Alford and five other men, indicted by the federal grand jury at Jacksonville, were arrested here today on charges of using the mail to defraud. They are identified with the Alford Realty Company.

The charges specifically developed from letters and advertising matter sent through the mails in connection with the development of property by this company at Alford City in the Lake Okechobee section.

CITY BUYS MARKET SITE

PLANT CITY, Dec. 27.—The local city council has purchased 21 acres here, for a reputed sum of \$10,000 and will use the land as a marketing place for strawberries. A platform and shed will be constructed and rail extension made, the Seaboard Air Line agreeing to extend

ther reduced as the distance is less. From Canal Point to Belle Glade to Clewiston is 14 miles. From Clewiston to Moore Haven 14 miles and from Moore Haven to Fort Myers 65 miles, a total of about 112 miles as compared to nearly 140 miles by the most practical route now.

Kraemer Growers Ship Eggplants, Peppers

Eggplants and peppers are moving from Kraemer Island on the boat Iris F reported Tuesday. Some of the first beans were from the island but now that the early planted fields have been picked over the next picking of beans will not be made until the latter part of next week. Truck crops are only a part of the farm operations of Kraemer, raising and avocados being of considerable importance also. Certainty of crops is added to on the island by the use of a pumping system for the control of the water table in the soil.

WHAT HAVE WE, WHAT DO WE NEED?

Stock-Taking Meeting
By Lake Region People
Is Proposed

A joint meeting of residents of the Lake Okechobee region from Canal Point to Moore Haven is proposed by Ernest A. Burguières of West Palm Beach, secretary-treasurer of Burguières & Chipley, in a letter to The Everglades News. The suggested purpose of the meeting is to get a clear understanding of what is required for the advancement of the area, and Mr. Burguières asks for views on the subject from the people. His letter follows:

"We believe that it is most important that a joint meeting be called by the citizens of Canal Point, Pahokee, Belle Glade, Chosen, South Bay, Ritta, Lake Harbor, Clewiston and Moore Haven and intermediate points to discuss the needs of the territory adjacent to these points and for the further purpose of taking stock of the development going on and the facilities required to bring about the development that is now under way and contemplated for this great section of Florida.

"Knowledge is not an enemy there is strength. Don't you think it would be a good idea for us all to meet together at some convenient point to discuss our various problems and to familiarize ourselves with what has taken place and what is taking place and what should be done to bring about a better understanding of what is required and how we should all cooperate with the one idea of working out ways and means of doing something constructive for the great producing territory at and between and adjacent to the points above designated."

The editor of The Everglades News has replied that he thinks the idea a good one and that he will do anything that is asked of him to promote a large attendance if decision is reached to hold the meeting.

LETTERS FROM READERS

Kelsey City, Fla., Dec. 27.

We want to compliment you on, and express our appreciation of, the special edition of The Everglades News published under date of December 17th.

The many subjects which you have so comprehensively covered are evidence of the accomplishment and of the many opportunities in the Everglades. This issue, produced by one of the experienced writers, first hand information, is a splendid index of Everglades activities and presents a vision for future achievement.

We feel that The Everglades News is of great value to all people interested in the State of Florida.

With all good wishes for your continued success, we are,
Yours very truly,
E. J. and H. C. HESS.

YARDS FINISHED AT INDIANTOWN FOR SEABOARD

Preparations For Erection of
Office Building and
Main Shops

START LANDSCAPING
ALONG RIGHT OF WAY

Thorough Preparation of Land
For Farming By Italian
Colony

The Seaboard Air Line railroad yards at Indiantown have been completed as have also the hotel and the smaller machine shop, and the construction of the main shops and the office buildings is to follow. Landscaping of the grounds is the biggest new work undertaken recently. Two dragline machines are working on Warfield Highway between St. Lucie canal and the Okechobee county line. The bridge on which this road is to cross was contracted to be finished by the first of the year but there is several weeks work yet to be done on it.

President Warfield of the Seaboard makes frequent visits to Indiantown to observe the progress of the construction jobs. Men in all departments say he seems delighted with the country and the working out of the plans for the creation of a city at Indiantown, where the division headquarters are to be located. All of the division officials will be moved to Indiantown from West Palm Beach as soon as the office building is completed.

Louis Spooner, formerly of Pahokee, is setting out 250 cabbage palms on the railroad right of way at Indiantown. The cost of getting the palms set in place is \$5 each. St. Augustine grass has been planted in a succession of parks and plot of flowering shrubs placed in circles in the grassed areas of the parks. Water mains are in and the grass is being carefully.

Italians from Brooklyn, N. Y., are clearing land at several points on the route of the Seaboard, some north and some south of St. Lucie canal. They put the ground in better condition than is the Florida practice. Trees and brush are pulled out by tractor power, the land is plowed and a crew follows with rakes and levels it. Even the smallest pieces of twigs are picked up and put in croker sacks and removed from the fields.

THE BIG EDITION

Palm Beach Independent: "The Everglades can 'come back' quicker after a spell of hard luck than any country in the world." We find this terse and truthful sentence in the special edition of The Everglades News. Howard Sharp, last week, printed a big paper full of optimistic utterances about the Everglades. He didn't do any exaggerating, either.

Tampa Tribune: There must be something to the Glades territory. Howard Sharp issued a special edition of The Everglades News at Canal Point December 17, something like six sections and 40 pages, all home grown.

Stuart Daily News: The Everglades News has produced a special edition of some thirty pages, which from a business and mechanical standpoint proves conclusively that the Glades section is alive and growing. The text, however, predicted a disastrous conflict of Howard Sharp's coat verities in conflict with the glib gift of some professional booster.

Early Shipments of Beans From Chosen

Fifteen cars of green beans were shipped from the Chosen-Belle Glade district between December 8 and Christmas, according to Julius Dingfelder and H. L. Douglas, representatives of C. L. M. Dingfelder, a New York produce commission house. The growers who furnished the larger part of the shipments were Raulerson Brothers, H. Stein and Harts Farms. The first car sold at from \$3.25 to \$4, they say. "Bountifuls have brought the best prices," Mr. Dingfelder says his house has been represented in the Everglades for several years but this is the first time he has been here in person. He says he expects the Lake Okechobee region to be the chief winter trucking section of the United States in a few years.

BIG RETAIL TRADE AT SOUTH BAY

Record-Breaking Purchases of
Bean Hampers; Road Work
Advances

SOUTH BAY, Dec. 28.—The Franz hardware store has sold 32,000 hampers so far this Christmas. More hampers have been sold than ever before in the same length of time. This indicates that the shipments of beans have been record-breaking.

Friedheim & Crocker were cleaned out of their stock of holiday goods. They are restocking their shelves with fresh goods including a line of jewelry.

One of the Bryan & Holloway truck-digging dredges passed through the lock Tuesday to begin throwing up rock for the Okeelanta road.

Our school house is being repaired during vacation by having foundations restored, some new doors and windows put in and other repairs in general looked after.

SEED POTATOES ON SHARE BASIS

Pennsylvania Sugar Co. Has
Proposition That Will In-
crease Plantings

The Pennsylvania Sugar Company announces in an advertisement in this issue that it is in position to place a quantity of seed potatoes with growers on a share basis at the south end of the lake on a share crop basis. The seed was contracted for to plant on the company's Dade county plantation but as the land there was not dry enough, the idea occurred to E. R. Graham, the manager, to distribute the seed among farmers in the Lake Okechobee region.

The terms are not stated in the advertisement but it is assumed that the local practice will be followed, under which the party who furnishes the seed and the seed at the station, plants and cultivates and digs the crop and delivers the potatoes at the loading station, the cost of the containers being split 50-50.

The company has farm implements it can lease to the growers.

CONTAINER MAKERS TO MEET AT LAKE WALES

LAKE WALES, Dec. 24.—The Standard Container Manufacturers' convention here, January 19 will be the first meeting in the Dixie Walesville, Lake Wales' new 10-story hotel which will be formally opened January 14. The convention will bring about 50 delegates to Lake Wales, manufacturers of crates, shipping packages, etc., from two or three of the southern states.

MERRY CHRISTMAS IN ALL PARTS OF THE EVERGLADES

Community Trees In Open Air
With Carol Singing and
Gift-Giving

FEAST AND GOOD CHEER
END THE OLD YEAR

Many Agencies Joined In Cele-
brations On Larger Scale
Than Ever Before

Co-operation of outside agencies with women's clubs and church societies in the upper Glades made the 1926 Christmas a large-scale celebration. There were open-air trees and carol singing at Moore Haven, Clewiston and Canal Point, this form of observance supplementing exercises in churches but not displacing feasting in the homes and general gift-giving. Details of Christmas observances in several of the upper Glades communities are reported in news letters in this issue.

CLEWISTON, Dec. 27.—Clewiston had its greatest Christmas celebration, with every man, woman and child in the community as its guest. A crack-a-jack tree loaded with lights and decorations was set up in the roadway in front of the Clewiston Inn. On Christmas eve as the lights flashed on, carol singers led an assemblage around the tree in singing Holy Night and other Christmas carols. At the conclusion of the singing Santa Claus drove up in a gaily decorated automobile which was loaded with gifts for the youngsters. Some of the gifts were provided by a local committee and others had come from Chicago, from B. G. Dahlberg. There was a tremendous lot of them and Santa Claus, who happened to be H. T. Pettit in disguise, had enough left over to hand out whistles and horns even to the grownups. It does not require much imagination to understand the "noise-fest" that immediately broke loose.

Early Christmas morning Madame Watanabe staged another party in the old dining room from 8 to 10, with dancing, lots of refreshments and the giving of gifts.

Gaily decorated and gaily lighted Christmas trees can be seen through the windows of almost every house in Clewiston, and all the youngsters are riding about on their sleds, making ably trotting out other toys.

There is something about Christmas in such weather as this. On Christmas day the thermometer registered a maximum 75 degrees and the lowest was 66 degrees and the youngsters got toys they could play with all day playing with them. It was shirt sleeve weather beyond a doubt.

On Christmas night guests at the Clewiston Inn and their friends enjoyed a package party at which each male guest brought a gift suitable for a man and each woman brought a gift suitable for a woman. The gifts were all scrambled up then and distributed according to numbers drawn a package party which made a lot of fun.

A holiday visitor to Clewiston is Miss Martha Williamson, daughter of F. L. Williamson, general manager of the Clewiston Company, and she signaled Christmas day by going sailing on Lake Okechobee.

The week's festivities are scheduled to have a notable conclusion in a New Year's eve dance at the Clewiston Inn, starting at 9 o'clock Friday night and ending at 1 a. m. New Year's day. A six-piece orchestra came from Fort Myers.

THE EVERGLADES NEWS

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HOWARD SHARP, Publisher.

IN LIEU OF GOLF

The Editor's Own Column

I see by the Palm Beach Times that Mr. George O. Butler and Mr. R. H. Schaeffer were talking about getting a writ of mandamus to compel Governor John W. Martin to remove County Commissioner John J. Williams from office. There is no telephone line into Canal Point and the delivery of telegrams is a slow process and the Palm Beach Times does not come through the mail very regularly—the means of keeping in touch with the county seat being bad. I may not be informed up to the minute on what is going on right now but that's what I read, anyway. It is all very interesting and I'll be sorry to miss any part of it. If it seems for the state I could wish that the progress of the plan was "put on the air" and radioed to the world.

Everybody in Palm Beach county knows Mr. Butler. He is a civil engineer and was a builder of the late Henry M. Flagler, founder of the Florida East Coast railroad. He was a member of the legislature from Palm Beach county and served at least one term as clerk of the courts. Even an old timer and having a wide acquaintance throughout the state he is often called upon to go to Tallahassee when the legislature has before it a bill that ought to be corrected before it is submitted to a vote, his service in the legislature having given him acquaintance with men and measures at the state capitol. For a time, in recent years, Mr. Butler was county engineer, and it was while he was serving as such that location was made of routes of roads in the Everglades. Butler is incorruptible and of high courage, fair to his enemies and loyal to his friends. That is he is as fair to his enemies as anyone could be expected to be. All this being so, his threat to mandamus Governor Martin is most interesting and I want to keep posted on every detail of the proceeding.

It is barely possible, however, that Governor Martin will not be served with a writ, because the writ will have to be issued before it is served. A recipe for cooking a rabbit said "First get your rabbit." Writs of mandamus are not carried in stock in general merchandise stores—a writ isn't something a clerk can take down from the shelves with the remark "Will there be anything else today?"

And this reminds me of a story, as the speakers at banquets say: Robert G. Ingersoll, the great arguist was a lawyer. He wrote an attack on the Bible in a book to which he gave the title "The Mistakes of Moses." Upon one occasion while he was arguing a case in court he quoted a law-book, "Moses on Mandamus," and a justice of the court interrupted him and questioned, jestingly: "How is it, counsel?" to which he wrote "The Mistakes of Moses" now quote "Moses on Mandamus?"

Ingersoll replied: "Your honor, one is 'Moses on Mandamus'; the other is Moses on God damn us." He was allowed to proceed with his argument.

I am no admirer of Governor Martin—his support of F. C. Elliot, the so-called drainage engineer, spoils him for me—and I am an admirer of George O. Butler. If Mr. Butler wants to go into court and charge the governor with dereliction of duty and prove it and make the governor do something he doesn't want to, I don't know of anything that will give me more pleasure. If Mr. Schaeffer, chairman of the Palm Beach County Democratic Executive Committee,

will join in the action, that will be an extraordinary action as the theatrical people say. The spectacle of the head of the Palm Beach Democratic Club and the chairman of the Palm Beach County Executive Committee jumping on the head of the Democratic party in the state of Florida will be a spectacle worth looking at. Every loyal member of the Democratic party of Palm Beach county, all its tellers who want to lick the Republicans in the general election of November 1928 will be right there in the court room to see the fight.

DRILLED FOR SUCKERS

Another promoter of a Florida oil proposition has been arrested. This will not, prevent real oil men from drilling test holes if they want to but it will make the crooks hesitate. By the way, what has become of Brewster and his Glades county "well" the "oil well" from which Okeechobee men said they saw oil gushing?

It is to be noted that when the land boom was on and the state was filled with gamblers, the "oil men" were erecting derricks and putting in drilling outfits. Now, however, no drilling is going on, although if there is oil, there is as much chance to get it as there ever was.

The difference is that there are less suckers. It was suckers the "oil men" were after, not oil. The promoters were not drilling for oil; they were drilling for suckers.

A year has 52 weeks and The Everglades News is a weekly paper but there are 53 issues of the paper in 1926. This is the way it happens; The first day of 1926 was a Friday, and the last day of the year is a Friday. In consequence of this the subscribers get one more issue than the pay for.

NEW COMMISSIONER TO INQUIRE AS TO ROADS AT SOUTH END OF LAKE

As soon as this issue of the paper is on the press, which I expect will be Thursday afternoon, I shall leave Canal Point for Belle Glade and South Bay to see what condition the roads are in and to learn what the residents of the country at the south end of the lake want done right away. This course seems to be necessary because the harvesting of the truck crops is under way and it is important that the roads be put in such shape that trucks can get the packages to loading stations and buyers of vegetables can get in to see the farmers.

I have written several letters stating my plan. I hoped Mr. C. W. Bell, the present county commissioner, could accompany me and tell me what his ideas are. As I am disposed to take his advice as far as I can, I have learned, however, that a meeting of the old board will be held Friday, December 31, and his attendance on that final session of his term probably will prevent Mr. Bell from coming. I have asked Mr. Penick, clerk of the board, to give me a statement of road funds, and I have asked County Engineer Jake Boyd to come along. Mr. Boyd, however, probably will have to attend the meeting of the board today and thus be prevented from accompanying me. I have informed the Belle Glade and South Bay Chambers of Commerce of the projected dates of the trip and suggested that they do whatever they think proper as to further announcement. Because Mr. Ernest A. Burguiere is as I am disposed to deal with that subject on the present trip. Mr. Ernest A. Burguiere of West Palm Beach has proposed that a meeting of citizens of the country at the south end of the lake be held to consider the needs of the territory and methods of getting them met. It is intended, this being broader than drainage. Such a meeting probably will be held, and it will deal with general matters. There is my pledge, made on the suggestion of J. E. Beardsley, that an advisory committee of citizens of the fifth commission district be constituted and that the committee be consulted on matters with which the county commissioner will have to deal. This committee will have a chance to function when it is formed, and I suggest that it be formed by appointment made in the several communities instead of me appointing it. (I like the advisory committee idea immensely; maybe I can pass the buck to it when the Ocean Boulevard matter comes up.)

THOUGHTS OF AN INCOMING COUNTY COMMISSIONER

There's nothing for me to worry about. The fellows in West Palm Beach don't like me years ago investigated my record in places I used to live and they can't say anything mean about me in public that they haven't whispered in secret. Nobody's got anything on me and nobody's going to get anything on me. I'm going to a point seems right, and having done that, nobody's going to be able to get my goat. I'll just let the heathen rage.

So-called "good Democrats" who voted against me in the general election aren't going to get anywhere by pulling the Democratic platform on me. The quoting of the platform will have to be done by regular Democrats when they talk to me. That's that.

I'm not going to take an "antagonistic attitude" but if there is anything that has to be fought out it might be a good idea to fight it out early in the game. The term is for two years and some of the fellows who want to fight now might not be around to furnish combat later on.

When the machinery for manufacturing hysteria runs down that will be the time for talking seriously about the route of Ocean Boulevard.

There isn't likely to be any county bond issue for two years. Economy and retrenchment is the best policy for a while. Wonder if it wouldn't be a good idea to support a resolution to cut the salaries of all the county employees? Time enough to restore the high salaries later on if times get better.

I ran in the primary and the general election and without all of the prejudice and examination of character that a candidate is subject to. How much attention ought I to pay to men who won't risk their characters and reputations in a campaign or were defeated when they did run?

I got quite a kick out of the former publication of "Thoughts." And two new subscribers who wanted to be in the circle of mind-readers. For I'm open-minded and willing to think out loud. Wonder if this will bring any new subscribers?

"Congress starts week with big bills pending," says a headline. Well, so do a lot of others.

THE OTHER SIDE

A department reserved for the exclusive use of persons who disagree with the policy or views of The Everglades News or its editor. Anything anyone chooses to write will be printed here, limited only by the condition that it not be libelous. If the length of the objection article is too long for one issue it will be printed in the next. It is suggested, however, that one sheet of letter paper give room to say a whole lot of mean things.

"Much May Be Said on Both Sides"

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Under Section 777 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida. Notice is hereby given that Miles C. Rathburn, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 353, dated the 7th day of July, A. D. 1924, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property, situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: Lot 10 block 260 Town of Lake Worth in plat book 2, pages 29 to 40 inclusive. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1927.

Witness my official signature and seal this 18th day of November, A. D. 1926.

Fred E. Fenno,
Clerk Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Under Section 777 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida. Notice is hereby given that Mary M. Plotts, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 2521, dated the 7th day of July, A. D. 1924, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property, situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: Lot 8 block 11, Amended plat of Freshwater addition to West Palm Beach as in plat book 6, page 29. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Unknown. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 22nd day of January, A. D. 1927.

Witness my official signature and seal this 8th day of December, A. D. 1926.

Fred E. Fenno,
Clerk Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Under Section 777 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida. Notice is hereby given that Harry E. Plotts, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 2518, dated the 7th day of July, A. D. 1924, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property, situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: South one-half of lot 14, block 5.

amended plat of Freshwater addition to West Palm Beach as in plat book 6 page 29. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of J. M. C. Jenkins. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 22nd day of January, A. D. 1927.

Witness my official signature and seal this 8th day of December, A. D. 1926.

Fred E. Fenno,
Clerk Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Under Section 777 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida. Notice is hereby given that John Haworth, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 2685, dated the 1st day of August, A. D. 1921, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property, situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: Tract 34, block 5 P. B. Farms Co., plat 3, township 43 south, range 42 east, 10 acres. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of Wm. Dempsey. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1927.

Witness my official signature and seal this 27th day of December, A. D. 1926.

Fred E. Fenno,
Clerk Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida.

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ADVANTAGES TO CONSIDER

To sum up, then, let us repeat that any person who really has a gift for another special occupation should go straightway to the occupation where his heart is. At the same time before deciding against the farm, these seven advantages which it manifestly offers should have frank and candid consideration:

1. Farming is free from extremes of wealth and poverty. There are in cities many vastly richer people than there are on the farms but there are more millions in dire distress than ever find in the country. On the farm you are at least never "out of a job" nor need you go without a good living.

2. Farming is an independent life. You are your own boss and you can live your own life and humble yourself to no master.

3. Farming offers an opportunity for creative work. You create the results of your own labors and find happiness in making land, live stock, crops and home each year a little better than the year before.

4. Farming is a many-sided occupation in which one may exercise all his faculties of body, mind and spirit. It is at once an industry and a profession.

5. Farm life is not only the "most wholesome physically, most wholesome mentally, but most wholesome morally." Home life is happiest there. The wholesome influences of religion are strongest there. It is the best place in which to rear children and certainly no wealth can acquire can equal the riches he finds in health, homelife, able, industrious sons and daughters.

6. The ownership of land is a part of nobility, as Dr. Seaman A. Knapp used to say, and those who own land should be loath to give up this distinction, while farm workers now without land may acquire it by thrift and industry, and thus give to their sons and daughters a distinction which the landless, propertyless element in town even though earning larger daily wages, do not enjoy.

7. On the farm there is thus an opportunity not only to make a little more of God's creation a little better, fairer, and more worthy of God while one lives but to bequeath from generation to generation a homestead embodying the results of one's life and labors—an ancestral homestead with which inheritance and family name may be handed down from sire to son through decades and through centuries. The prayer of Moses, "the man of God," in the wonderful 90th psalm may be realized on the farm as almost nowhere else. "And establish Thine work of our hands upon us, yea the work of our hands, establish Thou it."—Clerico-Poe in the Progressive Farmer.

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CANAL POINT

E. R. Graham of Hialeah, manager of the Pennsylvania Sugar Company, passed through Canal Point Wednesday on his way to Okeechobee and Bright-on. He was out riding around the place to see the condition of the country.

Miss Mary Staley of Chicago is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Walter Bonham.

Mrs. Snyder, formerly of Canal Point, now of West Palm Beach, spent Christmas with Mrs. W. F. Buchanan.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bergen is spending a few days in West Palm Beach at the home of Mrs. Snyder.

Captain Al Sheeler of the tug boat C. J. Morrow spent Christmas in Miami and seems to have had a genuinely good time. He reports that charges are reason-

able in Miami now, in marked contrast to the charges that were made a year ago. He got a good room for \$2 and a fine dinner for \$1. A year ago the room would have cost \$5 or \$6 and the dinner \$3 or \$4.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Adams drove to Avon Park Sunday for a call on relatives. They had Christmas dinner at Port Mayaca with his brother.

Louis C. Goolsby spent Christmas at Fort Myers, his old home, with his parents. He left Thursday night and returned Sunday night.

Mrs. Edw. A. Forbes and little daughter came out from West Palm Beach and had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barrett. Howard Sharp was a Christmas dinner guest of the Barretts.

L. C. Conner has returned from Oakford, Ill., and again is

staying with his son, James Conner, who lives north of town. The weather was very cold when he left Illinois and he is glad to get back to Lake Okeechobee.

D. Watts of West Palm Beach, Dr. Myers of Miami and A. B. Gettle of West Palm Beach with their families spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. James Conner. On Sunday the whole party went to Bacom Point and did some fishing. If they didn't catch many fish at least they had a good time.

L. D. Geiger and Miss Birdie May Hollingsworth, both of Canal Point, were married Wednesday of last week at Fort Lauderdale. She is the daughter of H. H. Hollingsworth, who has lived here for several months. Mr. Geiger is a member of a family that are pioneers on East Beach. He is a foreman for the sugar company. Mr. and Mrs. Geiger are living at the sugar company boarding house.

THE COMMUNITY TREE

At Canal Point Christmas eve was a gala night. The women appointed a committee to get a tree. Mrs. Charles Baker headed the committee and from the depths of the woods secured a long needle pine of good proportions. This was placed in the back on the bank of the canal and well fastened. It was then decorated with an ample supply of colored electric lamps and tinsel. Through the courtesy of the publisher of The Everglades News current was supplied at sunset and the tree made a very attractive picture upon the canal bank.

The community is indebted to the Canal Point Garage for the electric wire and to Charles Baker for decorating the tree with miniature lamps. The Elks of West Palm Beach donated a barrel of the finest apples that ever tempted the palate. The ladies of the community donated an ample supply of the most tempting doughnuts under the direction of Mrs. Fultz. Byron Todd was in charge of the lighting of the tree for the ensuing week.

Promptly at 7 o'clock the assembled people joined in singing Joy to the World, the Lord is Come. Emily Carter recited The Three Wise Men. Silent Night was then sung by all. Eva Lewis recited The Spirit of Christmas. All sang American. After this Mrs. Walter Bonham of the program committee, introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Howard Sharp.

In a reminiscent mood he held the attention of all. The humorous anecdotes from his varied experiences as a newspaper man were extremely entertaining. In the midst of his address the clanging of the bells in the engine room of the Iris, then just arrived, inclined us to think we were on the banks of a river watching the docking of an ocean liner. The next speaker, the Rev. Paul Charles Filly, pastor of the Community Methodist church, spoke briefly upon The Christmas Spirit and the Community. Apples and doughnuts were distributed. The long line of little folks and men and wo-

men filed by the stand till all had been supplied. All sang Bless Be the Tie That Binds and went home. And the Community Tree of Canal Point became history.

COMMUNITY M. E. CHURCH

The usual services will be held Sunday: Sunday school at 10 a. m., preaching service at 11 a. m., evening service at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 to 8 p. m.

The Sunday school held its Christmas entertainment Friday afternoon. The tree was beautifully trimmed in silver tinsel and the room, decorated with long needled pine and pine cones. There were carols and recitations by the children. The following children received prizes for perfect attendance: Eloise, Alta, June, Alma and Junior Fultz, Helen Willie and Hazel and Charles Gullbreth. Candy and oranges were given the children.

The first week in January is set apart throughout the land, as a week of prayer. May all seek in public and private, divine forgiveness, guidance and Providence's protection and care. Crops, markets, prosperity and peace are dependent upon God's sovereign will.

COMMUNITY GOSSIP

There ought to be a better electric light and power service on East Beach. If one plant large enough for all the ridge section cannot be had the municipality of Pahokee could put in a plant for that town and the people of Canal Point should organize a company and put in a plant for this town. But wait—we've thought of something. When Pahokee drainage district was being organized the promoters said the engine capacity could be used to run a generator and furnish light and power. And when the Pelican Lake district was being reorganized the promoters talked about using the engines to furnish lights.

At Moore Haven the engine that pumps water in the day runs a generator at night. Indeed, there is day service, the generator as well as night service. Or there was until the flood. The engine capacity at Moore Haven is such that it ran a pump in Newhall sub drainage district that pumped the townsite dry. What is done at Moore Haven can be done at Canal Point and Pahokee if the people really want it done. Certainly if we can't get electric service one way we can get it another.

C. H. Ellis of West Palm Beach, manager of the Florida Light & Power Company, has done a good deal to delay the installation of electric service on East Beach. He gave an implied promise to put in a plant—not a direct promise, but he encouraged the idea that his company would render service. Many of us have been afraid to encourage the plan of organizing a local company at Canal Point or bonding the town of Pahokee for a light plant because most any time the Florida Light & Power Company might run a high tension line in here and make our local investment valueless. Mr. Ellis has never made a final statement as to what his company will do, although he had a survey of the territory made several months ago.

The Southern Bell Telephone Company is another villain that "ain't done right by our gal Nell." We have no telephone service on East Beach. The telephone monopoly uses pages of advertising space in the magazines and the daily paper to tell about how it runs lines under rivers and through mountains and beats blizzards and floods to render service but we must suspect it is Lunk and four-flushing if it can't get a line into Canal Point. Most everybody knows I don't think much of the Greater Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce,

which spouts about "our great back country." The Chamber of Commerce probably doesn't know there is no phone service to Canal Point and Pahokee. But if it does know it, and if it is an efficient organization, it will send a roving roaster to the general offices of the telephone company and make the company either establish a connection with the county seat or the chamber will challenge the company's claims about enterprise and initiative.

Well, gentle reader, you can see that the Christmas Spirit got something started!

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Southbound Northbound

1:55 AM W. Indian Limited	5:05 AM
5:30 AM The Florida	11:15 PM
6:10 AM Dixie Limited	10:50 PM
10:15 AM Miami Express	6:20 PM
3:40 PM The Everglades	11:00 AM
4:00 PM Dixie Flyer	1:00 PM
4:25 PM Royal Palm	1:45 PM
4:45 PM Biscayne	2:50 AM
11:15 PM Havana Special	3:30 AM

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PAHOKEE

PAHOKEE, Dec. 28.—Mrs. John Leonard of Sampson, Ala., is visiting her husband a few weeks in Pahokee.

Mr. Cliff Leonard who lives in Opp, Ala., is visiting with his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Leonard.

Miss Rose Hoffman of Denver, Colo., arrived here last Thursday, where she will visit several weeks with her sister, Mrs. O. B. McClure and family.

Miss Wilda Friend spent Christmas at home with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Friend and family.

Mrs. Ernest Bass and baby were out from West Palm Beach a few days with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ludlum and family.

Mrs. O. B. McClure and children and Miss Rose Hoffman, Miss Lula Barfield and Miss Ruth Friend visited in West Palm Beach Friday.

Vernon Jones who is working on the road that will connect the mainland of Florida with Key West, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Jones, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Keen and children of Plant City are spending the holidays with their folks Mr. and Mrs. Keen of Pahokee.

Miss Verdie Thornton of West Palm Beach visited with Miss Janie Harrell from Thursday till Sunday, when Miss Harrell returned to West Palm Beach to visit Verdie a few days.

Messrs. Frank and York Colson spent the holidays with relatives in Lake Butler and Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hammock and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ernest of Miami were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cochran and children, Buddie and Marjorie and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cochran visited relatives in Miami and Homestead Christmas.

Dr. Thomas visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Poland a few days this week. Monday Dr. Thomas and Mr. Poland went fishing and caught many fish.

All who failed to see "Miss Molly" missed the biggest laugh of 1926. However, the play will be given nearly in 1927.

7 CARS OF BEANS
MOVE VIA F. E. C.

Billed From Here But Most Are Loaded Elsewhere; More From South End of Lake

Figures of bean shipments from the south end of the lake are not available but it is known that they were heavy, as pickers worked on Christmas day in some fields around South Bay and Belle Glade.

Shipments from Canal Point in the past week totaled seven cars and 200 express packages. Two cars came from the islands or the south end of the lake, two went from Port Mayaca and one from section 5, south of Pahokee. Two iced cars are to be loaded today and tomorrow. All of the shipments were beans except some expedient cucumbers from St. Lucie canal grown by Spooner & Wilder or Hull Bros.

GLADES WEATHER
Everglades Experiment Station—Belle Glade, Fla.

Temperature, rainfall and evaporation for the period ending the week of December 25, 1926.

Date	Max.	Min.	fall	rain	Evapo.
19	71	54	0.00	0.11	1.13
20	71	49	0.00	0.09	1.09
21	74	55	0.00	0.09	1.09
22	81	58	0.00	0.12	1.26
23	85	60	0.00	0.07	1.23
24	80	60	0.00	0.18	1.28
25	78	60	0.00	0.10	1.05

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19	73	72	----
20	73	63	----
21	80	55	----
22	82	62	----
23	76	56	----
24	76	59	----
25	79	66	----

E. K. MERCHANT, Observer.

Mrs. J. T. Pickett of Belle Glade visited Friday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Maxwell and family of Portsmouth, Va., visited two weeks with W. P. Maxwell's brother, James Maxwell and family.

Miss Bennie Elliott helped take stock in Mrs. Padgett's store Tuesday.

Barney Bishop of Miami visited with his friend, Miss Bennie Elliott Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Kilpatrick and family spent a few days during the Christmas holidays with their folks in Marianna, Fla. Mrs. Kilpatrick's mother, Mrs. A. L. Lee, and son Albert returned to Pahokee with them to visit a while.

Miss Margaret York is visiting with friends in West Palm Beach this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bloom were visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Padgett and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Shive and family, spent Christmas day with relatives in Greenacres.

C. A. Shive will entertain his Sunday school class at his home Friday evening. The husbands of the ladies in his class are all cordially invited.

Mrs. Gladys Spangler spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Poland.

Messrs. Fred York and G. Fuller spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. York and family.

Rev. George York returned to his home in Waldo, after visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. York and family a few days.

Rev. M. C. Dunklin of Okeechobee will preach Sunday morning and evening at the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Graham visited, a few days during the Christmas holidays with their folks, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Graham of Indian River City.

The Pahokee Woman's Club will hold their regular business meeting 3:30 o'clock Monday at the home of Mrs. C. A. Shive.

Mrs. S. J. Jones and children spent Monday with relatives in West Palm Beach. They returned Tuesday morning bringing Mrs. Jones' sister with them.

left the state Tuesday. There were four cars of mixed vegetables, however, in which there were some beans. Next to beans more peppers moved than any other vegetable, there having been 214 cars. Of tomatoes the season's shipments to date is only four cars.

WHY I LIVE IN THE GLADES
With few words I can tell you the reason
Why it's here I hang up my straw hat.
In the north with my coat at this season
I'd hang up a fur cap and that's that.

In the north if I took off my trousers I would have enough on for this place but if here I would take off my trousers
Good night, I would be a disgrace.

And we only have small competition
For the sweet juicy fruit like our grades
And our land is the best in this nation
Why not live down here in the Glades?

Here the sunshine is warm all the winter
In the summer we have a cool breeze
I'm not going up north in the winter
Not me, I'm afraid I would freeze.
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STATE BEAN MOVEMENT
Up to Wednesday of this week 416 solid cars of beans had been shipped from Florida. The movement has slowed a good deal this week and no full car

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Around The Great Lake

South Bay

Mrs. White, who came here to spend the winter with her father, Mr. Franz, was operated upon last week at the Good Samaritan Hospital in West Palm Beach and is doing nicely. Mrs. Grimes is also reported to be getting along well.

Mr. Friedheim was a member of a beach party at Palm Beach on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Crocker and Mrs. Crocker's brother, Eric Hartline, who is home from Montevideo for the holidays, drove to Delray to spend Christmas.

Miss Eunice Farnum, who is teaching school at Kelsey City, is home for the holidays. She was the guest of Mrs. Riley Brooks for Christmas dinner, as was her father and mother, her brother Ernest, and Rev. and Mrs. Thomas.

Mead Willis is home from Montevideo for vacation.

The Christmas eve entertainment by the Sunday school and public school was enjoyed by the packed house. The tree yielded its varied fruits in the form of candy, oranges and apples for every child. Quite a number of Christmas gifts were distributed. Much praise is due Mrs. F. L. Mutchler and Mrs. Hardy for their work in preparing the joint program.

SOUTH BAY

Church News

Our Christmas tree and pageant was so much enjoyed by the little folks that the grownups feel more than repaid for their struggle to "get things going."

Reverend Thomas spent several days in arranging a trip for twenty-two boys of this community to West Palm Beach.

When they arrived, the Elks took them in charge and played Santa Claus for them.

The welfare workers placed a generous amount of clothing at the disposal of all the needy of the community. Those who wish may apply to Reverend Thomas to secure a share of same.

Preaching services at 11 a. m. at South Bay and 7:30 p. m. at Belle Glade next Sunday. Sunday schools at 10 a. m.

CHOSEN

Quite a number of car loads of beans are moving from here now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow were Palm Beach shoppers last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Webster spent Christmas with friends in Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stephens visited friends and relatives at Okeechobee Christmas day.

Mrs. F. H. Friedman, who came to spend the winter here with her husband and was taken sick with inflammatory neuralgia, is still confined to her bed.

Mrs. O. V. Elliott was a caller at the Friedman home Sunday. F. H. Friedman, superintendent of the community Sunday school at Belle Glade, received a nice Christmas remembrance from Rev. Jesse Thomas and wife, Thanks.

Rev. Wm. Jesse Thomas presented the Belle Glade Sunday school with thirty pounds of candy which was very much enjoyed by those present.

Mr. Holloway, who some time ago bought the Walter Leathersman property, has had the house remodeled and the place fixed up in general.

Morris Bros. have given their front yards a general cleaning up which improves the looks of the property very much. Good

work! There should be more of

Plans are under way for a number of good new buildings at Chosen. Watch us grow.

COMMENT FROM CHOSEN

When the hurricane passed through Florida a good many people thought Florida would be down and out. But the hurricane is going to help Florida and is all ready helping in a way.

1. When Galveston had a flood they immediately put up better sea walls. 2. When Omaha, Nebraska, had a cyclone they immediately put up better buildings and took out the insurance.

3. When Chicago had the big fire they benefited by it because they put up better and more fire proof building and did away with the fire traps. All three of these are today wonderful cities. And so it is and will be with Florida.

4. When the Everglades and especially at Chosen and see the wonderful and beautiful crops growing you can hardly imagine that 90 days ago a storm or hurricane had hit this section and destroyed every growing thing. Yes, Florida is getting better. Dike protection, better, drainage and more substantial buildings and so we too will in time be benefited by the hurricane, but there is no place that is coming to its own as quickly as the Everglades around Lake Okeechobee.

F. H. FRIEDMAN.

TEN YEARS AGO

Is ten years a long time or a short time? It depends, of course, on the relation of the time to other things.

Ten years ago a boat passed from Canal Point the full length of the canal to West Palm Beach. Was that a long time ago? It depends on how you look at it.

To the "state drainage board" it is a "reasonable length of time" considering the financial situation of the district. To residents who have tried for ten years to make use of the canal it is a bit longer.

The ways of engineers and contractors passeth understanding by common mortals.

SARASOTA SELLS \$681,000 IN BONDS FOR HIGHWAY

SARASOTA, Dec. 24.—Sarasota county Tuesday sold \$681,000 in bonds to Triggitt & Company of Memphis. The bonds will be used on highway projects. The significance of the sale is the fact that the successful bidder's price offered was \$98.52, while the lowest bid offered was one of \$95.69. This is the highest price paid for Sarasota county bonds in the past year and was heralded with great delight by financiers and businessmen here as indicating a return to normal conditions within this section.

Center Hill District Ends Bean Movement

Center Hill's and Wauchula's bean crop are out, as are also the crop in other parts of the west coast and the interior of the state. F. W. Hawkins of Annapolis, Md., reported on his arrival in Canal Point Tuesday night. He came in via Clewiston from Fort Myers, which he had made his headquarters while he visited Ava and Immokalee and other trucking points. The acreage of beans on the west coast being harvested and the supplies thereby lessened, the market suffered, he said, and as high as \$1.25 a hamper was paid in the Baltimore market last week.

Mr. Hawkins has been visiting the Lake Okeechobee region for several years as the representative of northern commission merchants. He returned to Florida this season on October 15, having spent only six weeks at his home. He is now representing Walter O. Snyder & Company of 15 Camden street, Baltimore.

Mr. Hawkins knows the upper glades and he expects the 1927 season to be the best the region has ever had.

FINEREN WRITES OF PROBLEMS OF EVERGLADES DRAINAGE

"Problem Connected With Everglades Drainage" is the subject of an article in the December number of the Florida Engineer and Contractor by W. W. Fineren of Fort Myers, past president of the Florida Engineering Society of which the magazine is the official organ. Mr. Fineren was a U. S. government engineer in this district for several years. He is now employed by the Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce. His article, full of his punctuation and spelling being followed.

The drainage of the everglades of Florida has been a subject of importance for many years, but only recently has the subject been before the public with as much anxiety as during the past few weeks. Because of the fact that so much interest is now displayed in the matter of draining the glades the following incidents may be of interest, especially to the engineering profession:

The Caloosahatchee Valley has not hitherto been given much consideration in connection with the drainage of the everglades. Especially have those with interests on the east coast of Florida ignored its existence. It is a matter of interest that the Randolph Commission rather passed over its importance in their study of the question and persistent efforts of the populace to have the river deepened as an adjunct in draining the everglades by lowering the level of Lake Okeechobee have been a failure.

There is a heavy fall, or slope, and consequently a swift current, between Lake Okeechobee and LaBelle on the river. The fall from LaBelle to the Gulf of Mexico is negligible, while the river is extremely crooked and tortuous. The elevation of mean low water in the lake originally, before lowering, stood at 20.6 feet above mean low water at Punta Rasa. The elevation of mean low water at LaBelle, is approximately 1.5 feet above the same datum plane at Punta Rasa, or Gulf datum. It is readily seen that excess water from the lake, flowing down the steep slope between the lake and LaBelle will quickly flood the lower river valley below LaBelle, and this has been found true on several occasions.

Originally the Caloosahatchee river had its beginning in the glade lands and small lakes west of Lake Okeechobee, but had no direct connection with the lake. Under contract with the State Board of Internal Improvement, Mr. Hamilton Diston (The Atlantic & Gulf Canal & Okeechobee Land Co.) began in 1881, and completed about 1884, a canal connecting Lake Okeechobee and Lake Hicpochee and the Caloosahatchee river above LaBelle. The canal between Lake Okeechobee and Lake Hicpochee is known as "Three-Mile Canal." After the completion of this canal, floods in the lower valley became frequent and destructive to citrus fruits and farm crops, and the owners of property sought relief, as is best described by the following extract from a report two years later by Col. James M. Kreamer, chief engineer of the Okeechobee Drainage Company:

"Further drainage through the Caloosahatchee is barred from the fact that the capacity of the upper Caloosahatchee river at Fort Thompson is fully taxed at present to carry the water reaching that point via the drainage canals already constructed; and the residents of that region are petitioning the internal improvement board to provide relief during and subsequent to the rainy season by closing the canal at a point just west of Lake Hicpochee."

The appeal of the people were not heeded and later a private fund was subscribed and an earth dam was constructed across the river west of Lake Hicpochee to stop the flood waters of Lake Okeechobee. This dam roused the ire of the many fishermen who made a

living fishing in these waters and shortly after the dam was completed it was blown out by unknown parties and was never rebuilt until the state authorities constructed locks and dams under agreement with the federal government. Although the writer found very much agitation for the rebuilding of the dam during April, 1907, when he made an inspection of the river for the federal government. The locks and dams were constructed for the purposes of navigation and not for the purposes of holding back flood waters as desired by the residents.

The opposition of the land owners to the drainage of the lake through the Caloosahatchee Valley is reflected in the following extract from the report of Mr. J. Q. Wright, Supervising Drainage Engineer, Department of Agriculture, made under date of February 25th, 1909:

"There is grave apprehension that any enlargement of the upper portion of the Caloosahatchee will cause it to overflow its banks along its lower course and damage the citrus groves. Such will not be the case when Lake Okeechobee is lowered and the discharge brought under control. There will not be as much water brought down this channel as is now carried by it in time of high water. The flow is to be regulated by locks at the upper end, and only as much water permitted to enter the canal as the stream can carry without damage to the property along its course."

In June, 1912, very heavy and continuous rains were experienced in this section and throughout the state generally. At this time the water surface of the lake was below normal. During the middle of March the writer had made an examination of the water levels in the lake and reported as follows:

"I learned from different parties that the water had been falling steadily for four or five months. I could see by the banks that it has fallen from one to one and a half feet in the Caloosahatchee river. According to my levels the water was 1.22 feet lower than mean low water stage in the lake. Navigation in the Caloosahatchee river, above LaBelle, is endangered by low water. Two feet is all that can be carried at this time."

From statements of fishermen it appeared that the water continued to fall until June, at which time it must have been lower than found by the writer in March, namely, less than 19.38 feet above Gulf datum, with very little water flowing into the river from the lake. The rain began at Fort Myers on Tuesday afternoon, June 4th, and it rained fairly hard and steady until Saturday afternoon June 9th. Some workmen were constructing a dike which they had nearly completed when it began to rain. At the end of the four days it was found that there was 17.5 inches of rain in the dike, which was not connected to any other supply except the natural rainfall. In the report of Mr. J. Q. Wright, referred to above, the maximum rainfall for two successive summer months in this vicinity is given, for different towns, from 20 to 27.5 inches, but here is a record of 17.5 inches in four days.

It will be noted in the accompanying map and profiles that the south shore of the river between Fort Myers and LaBelle, although low, gradually rises as it leaves the river until it reaches a height of 37.7 feet at Immokalee. The water from this area, as well as water from the north bank, found its way into the river in the vicinity of the narrow crooked river was unable to rapidly carry it off. The average ground surface of the banks at LaBelle is about 12

feet, as shown by a bench mark at that point. On June 14th the water rose an estimated 7 or 8 feet above the banks and, although not measured with instruments, there is evidence sufficient that it was between 20 and 20 feet above Gulf datum, while the water at the same time in the lake was less than 19.38. In fact the water at LaBelle was higher than the water in the lake and fishermen actually saw the water run from LaBelle in the direction of the lake.

After many years of fighting to keep the dreaded Lake Okeechobee from flooding the Caloosahatchee Valley at LaBelle, it was certainly not without interest to see the valley water rise above those of the lake, overcoming a head of 19 feet, run up hill for 20 miles over a slope of 0.86 feet to the mile, and take possession of the hitherto uncontrolled lake. After many years of ignoring the Caloosahatchee river as an adjunct in the lowering of the waters of Lake Okeechobee, it may be found necessary to consider this valley in any ultimate plans for lowering the said lake. Certain it is that Everglades drainage will never become fully accomplished until the local drainage of the Caloosahatchee Valley is included and provided for. It is a matter of satisfaction that the Caloosahatchee river

Improvement District, recently created by the Legislature, is now engaged in an extensive survey of the District, and is prepared to carry out the findings of the engineers, having already sold bonds for that purpose. Whether or not the work will be of such magnitude as to require the active cooperation of the state and federal authorities remains to be seen. It is of further satisfaction that the federal congress has directed a federal examination of flood control with a view of co-operation with the state and the Caloosahatchee Improvement District if found to be advisable and necessary.

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Confidently submitted by

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RED TAPE IS FAULT OF RED CROSS

Fort Myers Committee Advises New Course At Moore Haven

FORT MYERS, Dec. 24.—Contending with practically every house in Moore Haven off its foundation and most families living in most pitiful circumstances, a group of prominent South Florida citizens have signed a letter to Henry M. Baker, director of storm relief of the Red Cross, asking that the relief station be reopened there to administer adequate aid to the needy.

Listed among those responsible for the letter are Henry Colquitt, Fort Myers developer; Allen H. Andrews, editor of the American Eagle at Estero; Dr. E. L. Hammussen of this city and Mrs. Mary Hayes Davis, editor of the Hendry County News at LaBelle.

In order to speed relief measures Mr. Colquitt suggests the appointment of 50 prominent men, whose judgment would be respected by all to visit and report on Moore Haven conditions.

"I am not criticizing the Red Cross as a national organization," Mr. Colquitt said. "I always have believed in and supported the Red Cross. Still I firmly believe that a mistake has been made at Moore Haven. The Red Cross should not investigate conditions there and men and women, other than those who represented the Red Cross in the storm-ridden town before. We all make mistakes. One has surely been made here by the Red Cross at Moore Haven," he declared.

Complaining of too much "red tape," the private investigators of Moore Haven conditions estimate \$25,000 would cover the cost of replacing all residences in the Glades town. This and other real assistance could be financed without trouble from the general relief fund already subscribed, they believe.

WEATHER AND WATER

The temperature fell to 47 degrees at 7 o'clock Thursday morning. No frost is reported from any point in the lake region. "A frost will not be a hardship, however, as a freeze will raise bean prices to a point that will overcome any loss in acreage. Freezing weather is likely before the middle of January, or a heavy rain. The lake was raised a bit to the northwest and its gauge appears to read 14.2 feet. The canal is at 14.1-2 feet and is as low as need be.

NEGROES ATTACK AND WOUND DEPUTY SHERIFF

S. S. Spence, deputy sheriff, was seriously injured Saturday night by four negroes who assaulted him at Sand Cut siding. A tire of the officer's car blew out and he was paused on the roadside when the negroes, drunk, drove by. He stopped their car by shooting their tires but this exhausted his ammunition. When he approached the negroes to arrest them one held him while others beat and stabbed him. Mr. Spence was by and with others assisted Mr. Spence and arrested the negroes. The officer was treated by Dr. Spooner and then taken to a hospital in West Palm Beach. The negroes are held in jail pending the outcome of the officer's injuries. Mr. Spence is expected to survive but to be crippled.

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FARM NOTES

William Bloom and a Mr. Ryan are growing three and a half acres of cauliflower in Pahokee district and when Mrs. Bloom's niece came down from Sanford for Christmas she brought 4,000 celery plants that were set by Mr. Ryan this week. This is in addition to Mr. Bloom's 30 acres of beans.

"Bill" Bloom, being back in Pahokee district and farming makes that farming in Pahokee district is the best thing Mr. Bloom can think of doing, and it is a good thing for all of us that he is back. I hope it won't make him mad for me to quote some things he has said about the Everglades, for I don't want to make him mad. But two years ago Mr. Bloom said he was done with the Everglades; maybe he had some mental reservations but if he did he didn't let on. This week he said he'd been better off if he'd stayed in the Everglades and spent his money as well as this time here instead of spending both in West Palm Beach. Mr. Bloom is a good farmer and a good citizen, a fair square talking man and I'm glad he's come back. The Mr. Ryan who is working with him is a Floridian who has grown celery elsewhere in the state and they will do a public work of high value if they make a free will contribution of the practicability of growing celery in the Everglades.

When the only way vegetables and fruit could be shipped was by railroad train it was necessary to check the amount of production. So many cars left the producing sections and the same number arrived at the marketing centers. Now trucks running on highways carry a considerable tonnage and there is no way to find out just how much the movement in this form amounts to.

A party of California truckers has leased land near Brunsack, Ga., and has put in 300 acres of vegetable crops. The land is in a river delta, most of it abandoned rice farms that have been reclaimed by drainage. The Californians can be brought in to the Everglades if they can be made to believe that they will not be flooded.

Florida lags in providing cold storage plants. The cubic feet of cold storage plants in some of the states of the south are as follows: Arkansas 2,700,790, Georgia 4,050,100, Kentucky 2,256,610, Louisiana 4,303,852, Florida 1,845,090. That is one reason the cost of living is higher in Florida than in any of the other southern states. Too many windmills talking about our grand and glorious state and not enough spending of money to supply facilities for doing business.

A crew of bean-pickers was working Tuesday morning in a field west of Lake Worth. The beans were growing in muck soil. All around was sand soil, but nothing was planted in the sand. It was the muck that the beans were growing in. It said soil is as good as muck, for comes it that the sand soil on the east coast is not used?

One-fourth of Michigan's bean crop rotted in the field this year and a fifth of the beans harvested were unsaleable, according to the Michigan commissioner of agriculture. This with decline in production in other states makes a shortage for the country as a whole.

THE WORLD'S GREAT EVENTS

ALBERT PAYSON THERUNE

(to be published, Mess & Company)

The Fall of the Bastille

"OUR majesty, the people are starving for lack of bread," the king replied. "You are Antoinette, the queen, in surprise. 'Why don't they eat cake?'" The frivolous queen did not ask this question as she had no little knowledge of poverty and of the needs of a nation that she could not understand. This one speech of hers also up better than could a whole volume the grievances that led to that red terror, the French Revolution.

Louis XIV, after impoverishing France by his extravagances, had been succeeded by his great-grandson, Louis XVI. The latter, in the "Grand Monarchy," vices and extravagance with hope of his genius. He left the nobles were exempt by law from taxation. Thus the fearful burden of taxes fell on the tradespeople and peasants. To make matters worse the taxes were "farmed out" and the collectors wrung the helpless poor for their "gratification" themselves out of the nation while the court revelled in unbridled luxury and magnificence the plain people who paid for it all were left to starve.

Moreover, the aristocracy, taking into consideration the king, oppressed and threatened their luckless subjects. In them to the debt; unrepentant outrages were perpetrated by the nobles against their defenseless subjects. Trade, commerce and industry were in a state of ruin. Unbridled luxury, torture and death were the consequences.

And for centuries the people of France had suffered; so long, in fact, that their masters had come to regard it as a necessary evil that the French slaves could ever revolt. But during all these centuries the seeds of revolution were sown in the hearts of the French people. The Bastille was the symbol of the tyranny of the aristocracy and the people of France hated it. When a monarch or a man of power had no money he could not legally dispose of the property of his subjects. He could only "lettre de cachet" and had his free or victim seized and conveyed to the Bastille. There, without trial, without hope of rescue, with his friends and family members, the prisoners were kept in a state of complete isolation. The Bastille was the visible sign of the power of the aristocracy and the people of France hated it. When a monarch or a man of power had no money he could not legally dispose of the property of his subjects. He could only "lettre de cachet" and had his free or victim seized and conveyed to the Bastille. There, without trial, without hope of rescue, with his friends and family members, the prisoners were kept in a state of complete isolation. The Bastille was the visible sign of the power of the aristocracy and the people of France hated it.

Louis XVI had been wise, in his way he had calculated to a heavy tax on the people. The people would continue to endure such treatment. "It will last out my time," said he. "But I may not see it." And the painted, bedridden Duche de Pompadour at his side croaked the apocalyptic prophecy:

"After the deluge And now Louis XVI was dead and his grandson, Louis XVII, reigned in his stead. The thirteen-year-old Louis was an amiable, stupid, weak-willed fellow. He was married to an Austrian archduchess, Antoinette, whose mother had planned the match and had coached the girl queen how to promote Austria's influence at the French court.

Louis XVI had begun his reign with some vague theories as to the rights of the people. But Marie Antoinette and her party at court had soon driven such notions from his stupid head. The people grew to loathe Marie Antoinette and to blame her for their suffering.

The American revolution had met with warm support from France, but plucked that country into disastrous war with England, and moreover, freed the people with republican ideas. America had cut free from the bond of royal despotism they should not, France? The people began to wake—and to think. France was rife with discontent. The Bastille, the symbol of the tyranny of the aristocracy, was the target of the people's wrath. A national guard was formed by the municipality and Lafayette was placed at its head.

The people were at last aroused. They did not yet dare to turn against royalty itself, but they assailed the most hated symbol—the Bastille. On July 14, 1789, a mob marched on this fortress, calling on the governor, De Launay, to surrender. De Launay refused. Then the crowd attacked. De Launay, a stanch, loyal old soldier, fought them off for hours. At last the gates came up, with several pieces of artillery, and forced him to yield. The mob (soldiers, peasants and forward-looking) rushed into the Bastille, released the prisoners (some of whom were insane or dazed from long confinement), killed De Launay and proceeded to tear down the fortress. On the wall of one of the towers they found a prisoner, a half-century-old man, a Catholic priest, a Jesuit, a man named Calisto, the Jesuit's companion.

"The Bastille shall be destroyed and the people shall dance on its ruins." The latter part of the prophecy was fulfilled by a screaming, bloodstreaked revolution, who accompanied their wild dance with songs of vengeance. The French Revolution had dawned.

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ALBERT PAYSON THERUNE

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The Siege of Paris

"THE price of a rat caught in the sewers and half cooked (for fuel, the French said) is far higher than was formerly used to pay for spring chickens."

This entry in the diary of one of the survivors of the siege of Paris shows the fruits to which the gallant defenders of the beleaguered city were reduced for the bare necessities of life. Hats, coats, the wild animals of the zoo, plant roots, and even garbage, were utilized as food. Furniture, wainscoting and other woodwork went for fuel in the bitter winter of 1870-71, when the conquering Prussians, shivering at Paris' gates, and while the city's defenders starved and attempted futile sallies against the besieging forces.

When Napoleon III was captured with MacMahon's army France had cut off the imperial eagle, abolished the assembly and for the third time in a century had declared a republic. General Trochu, a brave man and wise soldier, was appointed military head of a hastily selected provisional government, his colleagues being Gambetta, Favre, Thiers and Simon. The city was at once ordered to resist the advancing Prussians.

But here a new difficulty arose. Paris was full of sects and factions, each at odds with the other. In the first French revolution the warring factions had combined as one against the advancing foreign invasions and had repelled it. But here in 1870 the German army already within a few days' march of the capital, the political parties were at odds and accomplished nothing. The city-people on which they united was their distrust for Napoleonism. Instead of preparing organized resistance, the chiefs of these factions—"Social Democrats," as they were called—spent their energies in haphazard resistance, the chiefs of these factions—"Social Democrats," as they were called—spent their energies in haphazard resistance, the chiefs of these factions—"Social Democrats," as they were called—spent their energies in haphazard resistance.

Even when, on September 19, the German army entered Paris and laid siege to the city, the political parties did not cease from their efforts to overthrow Trochu and his colleagues. The German army, however, was not deterred by their efforts to overthrow Trochu and his colleagues. The German army, however, was not deterred by their efforts to overthrow Trochu and his colleagues.

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GLADES WEATHER

Record of meteorological observations taken by the undersigned at the Bureau of the U. S. Department of Agriculture during the week ending December 25, 1926.

Date	High	Low	Rainfall
19	72	63	—
20	73	63	—
21	81	61	—
22	85	60	—
23	77	60	—
24	76	68	—
25	80	65	—
Average	78	64	—

Tried Other Sections; Finds This Is Best

The upper Everglades is the coming trucking section of the United States—in the opinion of H. L. Douglass of Chosen, who was a caller the first of the week at the office of The Everglades News. He has trucked at Center Hill and on the east coast and by practical experience in those sections he is able to judge the merits of all of the Florida trucking districts. The competition from the Everglades and Texas has about put Center Hill out of business, he says.

Mr. Douglass has taken an option on lots in a subdivision at Chosen and expects to put up a building for a mercantile business in which he will engage while farming. In the meantime he is representing a New York produce commission firm as solicitor.

PALM CITY DISTRICT

A meeting was held last week at Palm City by owners of land in Palm City drainage district. This district is in Martin county, west of Stuart and north of St. Lucie canal. C. C. Chillingworth of West Palm Beach, organizer of the district, was the principal speaker. He said there were three ways the district could be protected from water coming in from the west. To enter the district, which probably would be objected to, or get the owners to organize a

district, which they were not likely to do, or build a dike on the west line of the present district. P. P. Scott, another speaker, said the north bank of the St. Lucie canal blocked the original and natural outlet. Efforts will be made to gain permission to run Palm City drainage water into St. Lucie canal. If this effort is successful it will establish a precedent which if followed will destroy the usefulness of St. Lucie canal as an effective control of Lake Okechobee. Another proposal for the relief of the Palm City district is to bulkhead and open Danforth creek.

Advertisement for bids for the erection of (a) gymnasium and auditorium (b) kitchen and (c) home economics building. Canal Point.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of J. A. Youngblood, Superintendent of Public Instruction, County Court House, to 9.30 a. m., on the 31st day of January, 1927, to be opened on that date at 10 o'clock, or as mentioned date, at that hour, or as thereafter as convenient to the board and at a meeting of the County School Board. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the order of the Board of Public Instruction in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each building.

The plans and specifications for such work are now on file in the office of Clark J. Lawrence, architect, 154 Lakeview Arcade, West Palm Beach, Florida, and any person desiring to bid on the above mentioned buildings may see the plans and specifications by making a deposit of the sum of Ten Dollars, which will be returned with the return of the drawing plans and specifications.

The Board of Public Instruction reserves itself the right to accept or reject any and all proposals for the above work, as they may deem best for the interest of the county.

Dated at Palm Beach, Florida, this 21st day of December, 1926.

By Merle P. Johnston, D. C.

Dec. 24, 1926.

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